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Alessandro BETTA, et al.

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the telephonic interview conducted on April 15, 2005 between Examiner Toan D. Nguyen and Applicant's Representative Nataliya Dvorson Esq.:

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courteous telephonic interviews on April 15, 2005. An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was attached with the Notice of Allowance mailed on April 22, 2005. The PTO-413 requires the Applicant to file a Statement of Substance of the Interview.

During the Interview, the Examiner proposed an Examiner's Amendment to place the above-identified application in condition for allowance. Applicant authorized the amendments to claims 1, 3-7, 9-13, 16, 17, and 19-23.

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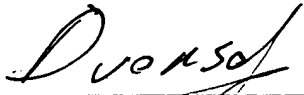
The interview was initiated by the Examiner. Therefore, no further recordation by the Applicant is believed to be required.

Patent Office personnel are requested to note that the present submission does not adversely affect the patent term adjustment accrued by the Applicant to date. Applicant remains entitled to the full patent term adjustment set forth on page 3 of the Notice of Allowance dated April 22, 2005.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,



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